

**RULE 33 (37 C.F.R. 1.53)**  
**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**  
**FOR PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, and I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the invention which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**SAFETY SYRINGE NEEDLE DEVICE WITH INTERCHANGEABLE AND RETRACTABLE NEEDLE PLATFORM**

invention of which (check applicable box(es)):

attached hereto \_\_\_\_\_ as U.S. Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ (Att'y Clk. No. 363-73)  
 was filed on August 25, 1997 on \_\_\_\_\_  
 was filed as PCT International application No. \_\_\_\_\_

(if applicable to U.S. or PCT application) No. was amended on \_\_\_\_\_  
 I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed or, if no priority is claimed, before the filing date of this application:

Foreign Application(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Day/Month/Year Filed: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Application Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.  
 Application Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Month/Year Filed: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120/365 of all prior United States and PCT International applications listed above or below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in such prior applications in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior applications and the national or PCT International filing date of this application:

Application Serial No.	Day/Month/Year Filed	Status: patented pending, abandoned Pending
1603,368	22 February 1996	Patented
1470,329	5 June 1996	Patented
1361,327	21 December 1994	Patented
1123,394	30 September 1993	Patented
7909,385	3 July 1992	Patented
7300,349	29 November 1991	Patented
7187,108	18 April 1991	Patented
715,127	3 October 1990	Patented
714,123	21 September 1989	Abandoned
71327,344	25 March 1989	Abandoned
71336,342	14 December 1988	Abandoned

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made in information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon. And I hereby appoint NIXON & VANDERMYE P.C., 1100 North Glebe Rd., 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Arlington, VA 22201-4714, telephone number (703) 316-4000 (to whom all communications are to be directed), and the following attorneys thereof of the same address: individually and collectively my attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith and with the resulting patent: Arthur R. Crawford, 25027; Larry S. Nixon, 25540; Robert A. Vandemye, 27075; James T. Hosmer, 30134; Robert W. Fans, 31352; Richard G. Besha, 22770; Mark E. Nussbaum, 32143; Michael J. Keenan, 32106; Bryan H. Davidson, 30251; Stanley C. Seconer, 37393; Leonard C. Mitchard, 29009; Duane M. Byers, 33260; Paul J. Heron, 32626; Jerry H. Nelson, 30481; John R. Lastova, 33149; Warren Burnam, Jr., 29366; Thomas E. Byrne, 32205; Mary J. Wilson, 32365; J. Scott Davidson, 32489; Alan M. Kagen, 36173; William J. Griffin, 31260; Robert A. Moran, 29824; B. J. Sadoff, 36663; James D. Berquist, 24731.

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3/603,363	22 February 1996	Pending
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